



**LARGEST
WEEKLY CIRCULATION**

IN CHICAGO.

THE CALUMET-WESTERN DEAL.

The Calumet Western ordinance is again up in the City Council. It is said that a purse of \$50,000 will be divided among a chosen few of the Aldermen, and that their influence will carry the measure through. A prominent Alderman says that the way for the measure is all "greased up nicely," and that it will surely pass. The Calumet Western is a bad measure. The City Council placed it on file once. If it passes it now there must be "something in it."

BIDS FOR CANAL POWER.

Public bids are to be solicited for the right to utilize the water power available at Hickory creek and Lockport on the sanitary canal. This decision was arrived at by unanimous vote of the sanitary board of trustees at the meeting held Wednesday, and was based on a report submitted to that body by its committee on engineering. Proposals are to be opened in sixty days. In submitting its report the engineering committee said in part: "Your committee finds that under the present law, even if the sanitary district had adequate funds at its command, it has not the legal right to construct the power houses and other electrical plant additional to the dams and tailraces which would be necessary to the utilization of this power by leasing it to the consumers along the channel and within the radius that the same might be economically utilized as a means of power. It seems wise, therefore, in order that the district may realize the great annual revenue susceptible of being derived from this power, that proposals should be invited for the development of the same, either by private parties, quasi-public or public corporations or municipalities that desire to consider the benefits of the same."

The members of the committee are: Thomas A. Smyth, Chairman; Z. R. Carter, Thomas Kelly, J. C. Braden, Frank Weaver, Wm. Boldenweck and A. J. Jones. The action of the sanitary trustees will, it is claimed, lead to serious legal complications. The Illinois canal commission, through its attorney, Howard Snuff, has notified the trustees that it will resist any attempt on their part to lease the power rights at Hickory Creek, as the commission claims vested rights for lease. With a flow of 300,000 cubic feet a minute it is estimated that 7,000 horse-power can be developed at Hickory Creek at an expense of less than \$200,000. Trustee Braden is authority for the statement that the Joliet Wire Company uses 5,000 horse-power daily, and will pay the district \$12 a horse-power for the Hickory Creek right.

Mr. Jones said: "Advertising for bids gives Chicago, Joliet and other cities a chance to bid. If Chicago wants the power rights let her come forward and bid."

Trustee Eckhart said: "I believe that if public opinion had not been aroused to a high pitch the Buckingham bid of

\$5 a horse-power would have gone through the board to-day. They had enough votes to do it."

Chief Engineer Randolph reported to the board that the Carnegie Steel Company was 100 days behind time in completing the Santa Fe bridge, and recommended that a penalty of \$100 a day be imposed. A committee from the municipal committee was appointed to gather data bearing on the advisability of leasing the water-power rights to private parties.

WHERE PUBLIC MEN WILL SUMMER

Mayor Harrison will depart with his family for his summer home at Huron Lake, Mich., within a day or two after the adjournment of the City Council, which is expected early in July.

Comptroller W. D. Kerfoot will spend a few weeks at Warm Springs, W. Va. His family will spend the summer there.

Commissioner of Public Works McGinn will probably be asked to officiate as acting Mayor in the absence of Mayor Harrison, which will prevent his taking an extended vacation during the summer. He expects to get away from the city for a day or two at a time at intervals throughout the season.

Commissioner of Health Reynolds will spend his Saturdays and Sundays at the Glenview Golf Club. He has not arranged for a long vacation.

Fire Marshal D. J. Swenke, of the fire department, will take his vacation in August, when the National Association of Fire Chiefs will hold its annual convention in Syracuse, N. Y.

Chief of Police Kiple expects to make a trip to the Pacific coast, by way of Duluth and the Northern States.

City Collector Brandecker will spend a couple of weeks with his family at Lake Manitowish, Wis.

City Electrician Elliott has finished his summer outing, as he spent ten days with the Mayor at Huron Lake, Mich., a week ago.

Chairman Julius Goldzier, of the track elevation bureau, will spend the summer in Colorado with his family.

City Clerk Loeffer has begun his vacation. He is now in Denver and will tour the Rockies and California.

City Engineer Erlson will spend a few days with his family at their summer cottage at Pleasant Lake.

Secretary Corcoran, of the Civil Service Commission, will spend two months with his family at their cottage at Paw Paw Lake.

Leading Citizen James A. Quinn will summer at Lake Superior.

Building Commissioner James McAndrews will alternate between Calumet and Howard's Landing.

Secretary James M. Markham will summer at the Mineola, Fox Lake.

Congressman Lorimer will summer at Pleasant Bay.

So will Fred L. Wilk.

So will Henry L. Hertz.

So will Philip Knopf.

So will William Pfister.

John Adank will summer at Far Rockaway.

Harry R. Gibbons will summer at Narragansett.

Col. George R. Davis will summer at Ingleside, Fox Lake.

Sheriff Magerstadt will summer at Milwaukee.

E. G. Keith and family will occupy their summer home at Charlevoix, Mich., about July 1.

Homer B. Galpin is contemplating an outing trip into the wilds of Wyoming.

Asked where he and his family intended spending the summer season, Charles Henrotin replied: "We intend to spend the summer right here in Chicago—the finest place, summer and winter, in this country."

Oscar G. Foreman, banker, is one of a Chicago fishing party now in northern Wisconsin.

Attorney A. S. Trude will leave on July 15 for an outing in the Teton mountains.

E. G. Foreman has not yet decided upon the place where he will spend the heated term.

John H. Hamline will enjoy Chicago's lake breezes this season.

C. D. Peacock, the veteran State street jeweler, will, with his family, occupy his summer cottage at Sugar Loaf Point, Green Lake, Wis., after July 1, returning to the city frequently to attend to his business.

Judge Joseph Hoidom and Mrs. Hoidom will sail for England July 15. They will spend several weeks abroad.

Judge Adm. Chytrous will remain in the city much of the time during his vacation. He will make occasional trips to summer resorts near the city.

Judge Theodore Brentano expects to spend the greater part of his vacation in Chicago. He may make a trip to Montreal.

Judge Murray F. Tuley will leave about Aug. 1 to spend his vacation at some lake north of Toronto, Canada.

The family of Levy Mayer, the well-known attorney, is now at Mr. Mayer's summer home in Plymouth, Mass., and he will follow them as soon as his business will allow.

Judge Thomas A. Moran has not yet decided whether pressing professional duties will allow him to leave Chicago this summer or not.

The family of Martha A. Ryerson is at Geneva Lake for the season. Mr. Ryerson is with them, but makes frequent trips to Chicago to superintend his business matters.

Arthur Ryerson and family, of 9 Bellevue place, are at Springfield Center, N. Y., for the summer.

Attorney Adolf Kraus, of 4518 Drexel boulevard, will take Mrs. Kraus and their daughter to Manitowish, Col., the first week in July for a summer outing.

Isaac H. Mayer, the genial lawyer, is undecided as to his ability to break away from professional duties for a summer outing.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Sellegar will leave for Germany the first week in July. They will meet a party of friends and after a short visit in that country will go to England. They will sail for home from London the last of August.

L. Z. Leiter will remain in the city during the summer.

W. C. Schupp has rented a residence in Winnetka, where he and his family will remain during the summer.

George B. Swift and family will remain in Chicago during the summer, spending next winter, as usual, at their residence at Lake Worth, Fla.

Charles F. Gunther will remain in

Chicago during the summer, taking possible short trips East. His family is in Europe.

M. D. Wells and family are spending the summer at the old family home at Lakeville, Conn.

Edward M. Lahiff, Secretary to the Mayor, will take his vacation in the fall, and with his family will visit his birthplace at Parish Aghada in Ireland.

Deputy City Clerk James C. Strahn will with his family go to Fox Lake.

Deputy Commissioner of Public Works A. J. Toole will spend a few days with his family at Eagle Lake.

Superintendent of Streets Doherty will inspect the pavements of a Montana ranch.

Superintendent Crossette, of the street cleaning bureau, will visit the home of his parents in Michigan.

Superintendent Nourse, of the water bureau, will spend a week at his old home in New England.

H. S. Taylor, city prosecutor, is at Greencastle, Ind., for his vacation.

State's Attorney Deneen says he will spend his vacation in what he calls the "greatest health resort in the world"—Chicago.

Chief Bailiff John A. Kunz, of the Criminal Court, will seek rest and recreation at Kilbourn City, Delis, Wis.

Chief Deputy Clerk Nell S. Graves, of the Criminal Court, will go to West Baden in the middle of July.

W. T. Davies, chief clerk at the jail, will watch pawpaws grow at Paw Paw Lake, between Aug. 17 and 30.

Jailor John L. Whitman will go to Woodstock Aug. 3. He will devote his allotted two weeks to fishing.

Judge N. Waterman has made no preparations for going out of the city. He expects to spend his vacation at home.

Judge Charles G. Neely has not definitely decided what he will do during his vacation. He is thinking of going to Boston.

Judge Abner Smith expects to leave for Yellowstone Park Aug. 1.

Judge Jonas Hutchinson has not determined just how he will spend his vacation, but is contemplating taking a Western trip.

Judge Richard S. Tuthill expects to begin a temporary residence on a farm near Oconomowoc about Aug. 1.

Judge Orrin N. Carter will be busy with tax matters until after Aug. 1. He may leave the city about Aug. 10.

Judge Edward F. Dunne has not decided where he will go. He wants to go to Europe.

Judge Arthur H. Chetlain will go to Galena, his old home.

Judge Elbridge Haney will spend part of his vacation at Oconomowoc.

Judge John Gibbons may spend part of his vacation in Colorado.

Judge Frank Baker has not made arrangements in regard to his vacation.

Graham H. Harris, President of the School Board, is spending a week away from the city on a fishing trip.

Justice James C. Martin, of the Harrison street police court, during the summer will take a vacation where there is good fishing in Wisconsin. In a lumber camp on the French river, twenty-eight miles from the nearest railroad, the justice will forget all about disorderly cases for about two weeks.

Justice J. K. Prindiville will take no vacation during the summer. He will remain in the city, except for an outing of a day or two.

Inspector Hartnett, of the Harrison street district, will be married and will take a vacation of two or three weeks, which he will spend in a wedding trip to Boston, New York and other cities of the East.

Captain Mahoney, of the Harrison street station, will spend two weeks at Mount Clemens, Mich., some time during the summer.

Assessor James J. Gray will spend his vacation, when his duties permit him to go away, in August, at Pawpaw Lake.

Assessor Adam Wolf's family will soon go to the lakes of Wisconsin, and Mr. Wolf will join them only over Sunday.

Frederick S. Baird will spend a few weeks chicken-shooting in Dakota in September.

"Bumps" Billings will summer at Geneva Lake.

TALK OF ECKELS FOR PRESIDENT.

James H. Eckels, President of the Commercial National Bank, is being considered prominently for the permanent Presidency of the Chicago Union Traction Company. Although Jesse Spaulding has not announced his final determination in the matter of the Presidency, it is considered probable that he will accept the position only temporarily for the purpose of enabling the making of leases and carrying out other details connected with the organization of the company. He returned to Chicago Tuesday, but declined to be interviewed. Friends, however, said he had not decided what he would do. It developed also that Mr. Eckels was being considered for the permanent Presidency, to take hold after the machinery of the traction company had been set going under Mr. Spaulding's temporary management.

Mr. Eckels was Comptroller of the Currency during President Cleveland's second term. Before accepting Federal office he was an attorney at Ottawa, Ill., but since the expiration of his incumbency of the Comptroller's office he has been a resident of Chicago and prominently identified with the affairs of the city. He was elected to the Presidency of the Commercial National Bank immediately after leaving Washington, succeeding President H. F. Eames.

All the preliminaries for the transfer of the properties of the North and West Chicago street railroad to the Chicago Union Traction Company have been completed. Henry Crawford, who came to Chicago representing the Eastern capitalists who practically control the syndicate which has purchased the stock of Charles T. Yerkes in the North and West Chicago systems, has returned to New York, after having given him the instructions which were carried out by the disposition of the money to be paid in under the underwriting plan of the Chicago Union Traction Company, which has arranged for the leasing of the property of the two companies.

The Illinois Trust and Savings Bank is to receive subscriptions in Chicago.

Of the \$12,000,000 of preferred stock offered for subscription \$3,000,000 came to Chicago, and the payments under these subscriptions will be made to the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank. Subscribers in New York and Philadelphia will make payments there.

The subscriptions are payable next Monday, and immediately thereafter Mr. Yerkes will be paid the \$10,000,000 which he is to receive for his holdings of stock in the two companies. This stock will be deposited with the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank, and the leases of the two properties will be delivered to the Chicago Union Traction Company.

THE ANTI-TRUST LEAGUE.

Trustees of the Illinois Anti-Trust League have perfected their organization by electing the following officers: President—Martin Van Allen.

First Vice-President—Peter Kiolbasa.

Second Vice-President—Frank A. Stauber.

Third Vice-President—Henry W. Hill.

Fourth Vice-President—Charles J. Vopicka.

Fifth Vice-President—Jonathan B. Taylor.

Treasurer—Paul O. Stensland.

Secretary—Patrick F. Haynes.

Auditor—William Elsfeldt.

Steps were taken toward the organization of a central committee of Cook County, consisting of one committeeman from each ward in Chicago and one committeeman from each commissioner's district in the county outside of Chicago. It is the intention to organize in every county in the State. When this is accomplished a State convention will be called.

WATER POWER AND CITY PLANTS.

City Electrician Elliott has given expression to an opinion in support of the position of those members of the board of sanitary trustees who are opposed to leasing to a private corporation water to be developed along the canal. Mr. Elliott says the power for which the board is offered \$50,000 a year is worth from \$150,000 to \$200,000 a year at least to the city for electric-lighting purposes. The municipal lighting plant ought to be enlarged. The cost to the city for horse power with its present plants, Mr. Elliott says, is about \$30 per horse power. Under more favorable circumstances afforded by a large plant the cost of developing power he estimates would be not less than \$20 per horse power. That being the case, water power belonging to the public, and soon to be disposed of to a private corporation for a long period of time at a figure much below the cost of power to the city. That is not good business policy from the taxpayers' point of view.

The more this question of water power on the canal is studied the more clearly apparent does it become that haste in disposing of the power would be very reprehensible. The board can very profitably give its time in the immediate future entirely to the problem of getting the canal ready for use, leaving the water-power question for settlement after mature deliberation. The board should be very careful not to tie the hands of the people by hasty action. The last municipal campaign in Chicago, in which all three of the candidates for Mayor became committed before election day to the policy of municipal ownership, is an indication of the great popularity of that policy. Just as the people are getting ready for municipal ownership of certain public utilities, public bodies like the board of sanitary trustees ought not to interpose obstacles by hurriedly alienating public property so well adapted for use in connection with a municipal lighting plant.

The people should be given a chance to say whether or not they want this power for their own use. Furthermore, to give rights in the canal to a private corporation is likely to interfere with the use of the waterway as a ship canal at a future time.—Chicago Record.

THE DRAINAGE CANAL WATER POWER.

The concern which is attempting to get the water-power contract from the Drainage Trustees is represented by a man named Clarence Buckingham, who is connected with J. H. Wagner & Co., at 225 La Salle street. A new proposition has been submitted by him, and according to its terms, Trustee Eckhart asserts, the board or the taxpayers would be losers by at least \$350,000 a year, and in fifty years an aggregate amount equal to two-thirds of the cost of the entire canal. This putative company proposes to pay \$5 yearly rental a horse-power, but stipulates that half of this shall be returned by way of a rebate and shall apply only on the interest of the capital the company has invested at the rate of 5 per cent., and if there shall be any surplus it shall apply upon the principal.

Mr. Buckingham says that his concern would spend at least \$1,500,000 in developing the power, and would have the board believe that at the end of the fifty-year franchise sought the rebate will have paid for the plant and it will become the property of the board. Mr. Eckhart, however, says that this is not the fact. He explains that the interest upon the sum proposed to be invested will be \$75,000 a year, while the net income to the board will be \$50,000, which would leave the board indebted to the company at the rate of \$25,000 a year. That anyone could entertain such an irrational proposition as this seems remarkable to Mr. Eckhart. The first proposition submitted by Mr. Buckingham was, he says, even worse. It proposed to spend \$3,000,000 to develop 10,000 horse-power, to pay the board \$35,000 a year for this and require it to pay the interest on the investment at 5 per cent., amounting to \$1,500,000 yearly. This would have left the board indebted to the company to the extent of \$55,000 yearly.

The present proposition means a net income to the board of \$50,000 yearly, but whether the sum is realized or not depends upon the amount the company sees fit to invest. If the investment is large enough to more than eat up the

50 per cent. rebate this income would be cut down by whatever the excess might be. That the rental, \$2.50 net a horse-power, is pitifully inadequate those interviewed did not hesitate to say.

CHICAGO'S PATRIOTISM.

That Chicago is patriotic has been demonstrated not only by words, but deeds. It is an old proposition that "money talks," and Chicago has "talked" effectually to the extent of \$7,000,000 in the way of paying war taxes.

It may be alleged that there is no merit in the paying of this great sum of money, because such payment is obligatory. But the patriotism and the merit exist in the fact that Chicago meets the emergency without making a sour face over it.

Chicago stands second on the list of cities in providing funds for the special expenditures made necessary by the war, and its only superior in this regard is Greater New York, which by taking in "all the land adjoining" has succeeded in keeping first place.

The man who drinks beer has proved himself the greatest patriot, for out of the \$7,000,000 paid by Chicago to help carry on the war against Spain \$3,000,000 came from the tax on beer.

But out of all this enormous total the express companies and the telegraph companies have not contributed one cent.

With a greediness of the most impudent character, these institutions have forced their patrons to pay the tax which Congress expected the companies to pay, and in this matter all citizens have an undoubted right to register a most emphatic protest.

BUSINESS METHODS.

Comptroller Kerfoot has won the good will of the better element in the community by his common-sense application of rules that had been allowed to become dead letters. His recent order that no further vouchers should be cashed except in the hands of the original holder has driven to the winds the money lenders who have made it a business of cashing vouchers at a heavy discount. Business methods applied to the city finances are what the people expected from Mr. Kerfoot and what he is giving them.

The city should see to it that the moneys to pay its vouchers are in hand before issuing the vouchers, and in that way educate those entitled to the money to expect and receive 100 cents on the dollar in place of transferring an indefinitely payable scrap of paper for a fraction of its full value. A voucher from the city should be as quickly redeemed as the check of a reputable business house or banker.

PEABODY FOR LIBRARY BOARD.

Francis S. Peabody, of the Twenty-second Ward, is said to be slated for a place on the library board. Mayor Harrison will name Mr. Peabody, so his friends assert, if the council will consent to accept a purely honorary position. In appointing Mr. Peabody the Mayor will be extending recognition to a personal friend, who was an active supporter during both campaigns—in 1897 and last spring. Politicians, however, view the proposed appointment as the breaking down of the last barrier that has separated the regular organization from the sound money Democrats. Mr. Peabody was an organizer of the sound money movement and chairman of the county committee during the Presidential campaign.

LITERARY NOTES.

A prominent feature in the July Woman's Home Companion is a well-written article by Stephen J. Herben, discussing "The First Camp-meeting in America." In the same number Edward A. Steiner has collected much valuable information concerning the Jewish movement to recolonize Palestine, under the title, "The Jewish Dream of a Zionistic Empire." Another article of timely interest by Charles Bryant Howard enters into the details of the domestic life of the Philippine women, with excellent illustrations of types of Filipino beauty.

A new departure from usual lines of illustration appears on the front page in Elizabeth Shippen Green's quaint drawings interpreting Harriet Prescott Spofford's poems, "Among Old Dreams." In sharp contrast is Lillian Bell's humorous account of her trip up the Nile, and John Kendrick Bangs' good-natured flippant at uncles and preachers introduced into "The Idiot's suggestions for the maintenance of an attic."

The contents of the July number of the Dramatic Magazine are varied and of special interest to lovers of drama and music. Under the head of "Operatic" in the musical department, Mary Towle Davis contributes an article of more than common excellence which is illustrated with artists of different nations.

Some of the most dramatic episodes that have occurred in the halls of Congress during the last thirty years are told in a series of papers which ex-Senator John J. Ingalls has written for the Saturday Evening Post of Philadelphia.

The first paper of the series, entitled Famous Feuds in Congress, which appears in the issue of June 24, gives an authentic and vivid account of the scenes that led up to the lifelong enmity between Blaine and Conkling, and Conkling and Lamar.

Other notable features of this number are: A Soldier's View of a War-torn World, by Major General Nelson A. Miles, and the story of the Little House in the Little Street Where the Sun Never Came, by John Luther Long—one of the strongest stories of this brilliant writer.

The Cosmopolitan for July is especially interesting. As usual, this charming magazine is beautifully illustrated. "The Adventures of General Funston" and "How to Keep House on \$2.50 per Day" are leaders. John Braden Walker's fine story, "The Building of an Empire," and "Balzac and His Work" are among the other notable features.

Gas Trust Akin will not be renominated for the office of Attorney General of Illinois.



HON. JAMES P. MALLETTE.
Trustee of the Sanitary District, Who is Opposed to Giving Away the People's Water Power Without Just Compensation.

EAGLETS.

John W. Gates has withdrawn from the Senatorial race in favor of Joseph G. Snyder.

It is said that Hon. Edward M. Lahiff, private secretary to his honor the Mayor, will succeed Hon. W. A. S. Graham as Clerk of the Board of Education and school agent.

William J. Calhoun, of Danville, looked upon as a possible candidate for Governor, has just issued the following statement on his candidacy: "Every one must recognize that Gov. Tanner has a strong organization. It may be so strong that if he wants the nomination no other candidate would stand any show. I am not so blinded or prejudiced as to underestimate his strength. Neither do I seek to pull him down and build myself up. The business part of his administration has been good, but he has incurred the opposition of many good people and of the press, and his nomination may be found inexpedient. I do not know now that I want to be a candidate. My friends are making me one, but we can't tell what change public sentiment will undergo."

A. C. Powers, manager of the American Mineral Water Company, will make a model member of the school board.

Billings. C. Billings. Ben Billings. C. K. Billings. C. K. G. Billings. "Bumps" Billings. Ben "Bumps" Billings. Chicago Kaiser Gas Billings. C. K. G. Ben "Bumps" Billings. Chicago Kaiser Gas, Ben "Bumps" Billings.

Hon. Benjamin M. Mitchell, the popular Thirteenth Ward statesman, has been elected Secretary of the Thirteenth Ward Democratic Club.

West Side citizens are wondering what has become of Building Inspector McAndrews' proposed crusade against high bill boards. People riding back and forth on the Madison, Ogden avenue, Randolph and Lake street cars are daily witnesses of the most outrageous violations of the bill board ordinances. Most of the infractions are committed by a South Side Democratic politician, whose bill boards sometimes rise above the roofs of surrounding houses. People naturally ask if these are exceptions to Mr. McAndrews' rules in regard to the enforcement of the law, and, if so, why?

Alderman E. J. Novak will retire from politics next spring. It is said that the Eighth Ward Democratic leaders have picked out a prominent business man to succeed him.

The picnic of the County Democracy Saturday will be a big success.

"It is one of the hardest blows struck at students of law for many years," said E. C. Ravenscroft, Secretary of the Illinois College of Law, on Tuesday in reference to the defeat of the law students' bill in the Supreme Court at Springfield Monday.

"Yes, the boys were hard hit by the defeat, and I know that many of them will not be able financially to continue their studies for the bar another year longer when they thought they would get their diplomas after a course of two years."

The law students' bill defeated Monday at Springfield was known as the Campbell bill, which, under the old laws, admitted them to the bar after a course of study of two years, providing they passed the examination.

The defeat means that the students, should they desire to go to the bar, will have to pass the examination of the two-year course and then pass another examination of another year course before they can get diplomas.

A story has been current among Republican politicians for several days that Congressman Hopkins will be compelled to fight for renomination in the Eighth Congressional district. His

old-time friends in Kane and De Kalb Counties, where the bulk of his strength comes from, are said to be disappointed at the fiasco which attended his candidacy for the Speakership. The chief difficulty that confronts the Congressman's opponent lies in picking the right man to fight him at the primaries.

John W. Gates, President of the American Steel and Wire Company, went to New York Tuesday to attend a meeting of the directors of that corporation on Friday. Politicians were not disposed to regard Mr. Gates as a serious candidate for Senator Cullom's place and declined to discuss it as a possible political problem of the future. They simply said that he is rich enough to entertain any sort of an ambition, but added that he will exhibit wisdom by keeping out of the Senatorial fight next year. Governor Tanner will not support the President of the wire trust, for he is already committed to Senator Cullom. Mr. Gates therefore would have to seek votes in Chicago, and it is admitted that he would not get a great many outside of perhaps three districts. Some of the old members of the Fortieth General Assembly who have treasured grievances against Mr. Gates and his friends for reasons that are satisfactory to themselves should happen to be returned they would make a great deal of trouble for the trust promoter. They have never forgiven him for the part he played in certain transactions.

F. H. Donahue of Chicago is president of a new express company which is about to become a competitor of the established companies for Western business.

The United Parcel Forwarding Company, as the new organization is styled, is capitalized at \$1,000,000, and is already operating in the East. Its officers claim they will reduce the rates of express charges from 20 to 50 per cent. by carrying parcels on fast freight trains. Almost equal speed, they say, can be attained. Companies from some twenty-five leading cities were represented in the incorporation and entered into the new combination.

The Express and Telegraph companies evaded the war tax, by saddling it on the people. The next Legislature should reward them for their patriotism by reducing the charges of the express and telegraph companies. In this way the people would get back the war taxes that they were compelled by the express and telephone companies to pay for them.

School Board appointments will soon be made. Among the good people talked of are the following: Washington Porter, Miles J. Devine, John T. Connery, Seymour Swartz, Charles C. Stillwell, Frank H. Hebard, A. C. Powers, George W. Claussenius, Fritz Glogner, Charles H. McGrath, James J. Townsend, Henry McJureen, Gen. Robert J. Smith, George S. Foster, Robert Redfield, Francis J. Sullivan, James Maher, W. O. Johnson, Joseph P. Junk, Z. P. Brosseau, Fritz Goetz, Arnold Heap and Joseph G. Snyder.

Miles J. Devine is being urged as a good man to appoint to the School Board.

Why Old Flats and Houses Don't Rent.

Real estate men and owners should not overlook the fact that the Lake View Gas Fixture Company, 233 Lincoln avenue, Telephone North 708, refinish old chandeliers, making them equal to new at very small cost. In many cases after expending money for calcimining or papering, the chandeliers are left in the same dirty, fly-specked condition as before, and are not in keeping with the new decorations, thereby spoiling that which has been done, when at a very small cost the chandeliers, brackets, etc., can be refinished equal to new. We refinish in all the latest colors, such as polished brass, gilt, rich gilt, old copper, polished copper, oxidized copper, silver and gold.

We are also makers of a fine line of gas fixtures at prices to suit the times. Call up North 708. Our agent will call and estimate.

LAKE VIEW GAS FIXTURE CO.,
233 Lincoln avenue, Chicago.